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REMARKS

The following proposed supplemental response is being submitted consistent with telephonic discussion with the Examiner regarding outstanding issues to place the application in condition for allowance.

Amendment to the Claims

Applicants herein update the claims to correct several noted concerns:

- 1) All deletions previously submitted in bracket formatting has been replaced with strikethrough formatting.
- 2) Claims 8 and 30 have been cancelled in view of the limitations recited in corresponding Independent claims 1 and 23, respectively.
- 3) Claims 11 and 21 have been amended to recite at least one processing device operative to perform the claimed functionality. Applicants submit this does not recite any new subject matter beyond the specification as originally filed. See, for example, page 7, lines 13-21.
- 4) Claim 1 has been amended to recite the "performing operations requested by the multi-threaded application over the multiple threads on the back-end processing system..." consistent with the limitation recited in co-pending claim 22.

Amendment to the Drawings

Attached hereto is the replacement sheet indicated Fig. 3 as prior art, consistent with the Examiner's request.

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Applicant respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance and request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

To expedite prosecution of this application to allowance, the Examiner is invited to call the applicants' undersigned representative to discuss any issues relating to this application.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: May 25, 2007

Respectfully submitted

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